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FOR WHITE HOUSE - PHIL WISE AND ADVANCE TEAM

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SUBJECT/ SIGNING CEREMONNY FOR PANAMA CANAL TREATIES

REF: BRASILIA 7158

1. REFTEL TRANSMITTED TEXT OF PRESIDENT GEISEL'S REPLY
TO PRESIDENT CARTER'S INVITATION TO ATTEND SIGNING OF PANAMA
CANAL TREATIES IN WASHINGTON ON SEPTEMBER 7. GEISEL REGRETTED
HIS INABILITY TO LEAVE BRAZIL ON ITS NATIONAL DAY AND SAID HE
HAD ASKED VICE PRESIDENT ADALBERTO PEREIRA DOES SANTOS TO
REPRESENT HIM AT THE CEREMONIES.

2. I SUGGEST THAT PRESIDENT CARTER RESPOND TO GEISEL ALONG
FOLLOWING LINES:
QUOTE DEAR MR. PRESIDENT:
I REGRET VERY MUCH THAT YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO JOIN US IN
WASHINGTON AT THE SEPTEMBER 7 CEREMONEY FOR THE SIGNING OF THE
NEW TREATIES CONCERNING THE PANAMA CANAL.
I FULL UNDERSTAND THE REASON YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO COME TO WASHINGTON
ON BRAZIL'S NATIONAL DAY, AND I REGRET THAT THERE WAS NO ALTERNATIVE
TO SETTING SEPTEMBER 7 AS THE DATE FOR THE SIGNING OF THRE
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TREATIES. ROSALYNN AND I ARE ALSO VERY SORRY THAT WE WILL NOT
BE ABLE TO SEE MRS. GEISEL, BUT WE BOTH COMPLETELY UNDERSTAND HER
POSITION AS WELL.

I AM PARTICULARLY SORRY THAT THE INEVITABLE CONFLICT OF DATES
HAS DEPRIVED US OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET AND TO DISCUSS
PERSONALLY MAJOR SUBJECTS OF INTEREST TO OUR TWO COUNTRIES.

PLEASE BE ASSURED THAT VICE PRESIDENT ADALBERTO PEREIRA DOES
SANTOS, WHOM YOU HAVE DESIGNATED TO REPRESENT YOU AT THE CEREMONY,
WILL BE MOST WELCOME.

WITH BEST WISHES TO YOU AND TO MRS. GEISEL FROM ROSALYNN AND ME.
END QUOTE.

3. REFERENCE TO THE VICE PRESIDENT IN THE SUGGESTED LETTER IS
BASED ON THE ASSUMPTION THAT SUBSTITUTES FOR CHIEFS OF STATE
WILL BE ACCEPTABLE AND WILL BE RECEIVED, IF ONLY BRIEFLY, BY
THE PRESIDENT.
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